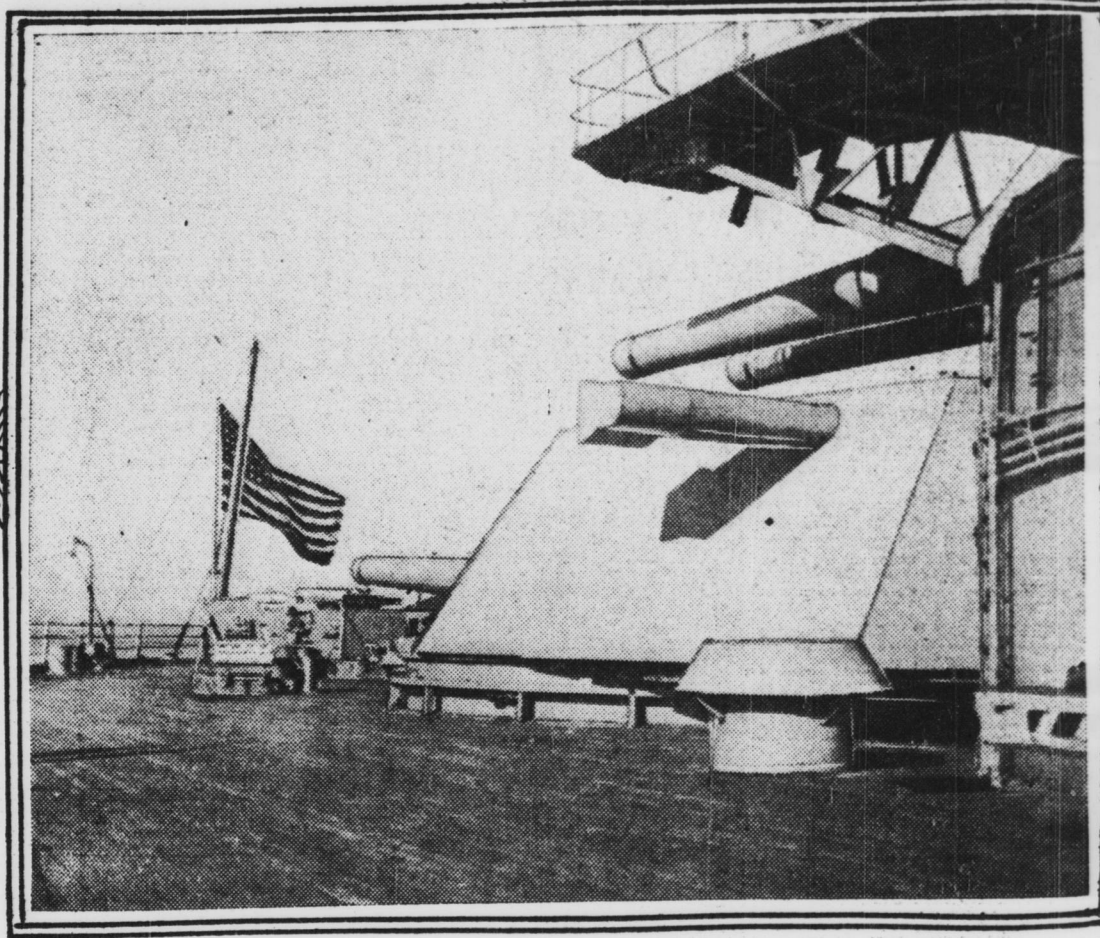




President-elect and Mrs. Hoover approaching the Stanford University Memorial Chapel on their way to services last Sunday morning. Mrs. Hoover is looking down at a collie dog lying on the walk as they pass by. The scene shows the typical Spanish architecture and palms of the Stanford campus.—Associated Press Photo.

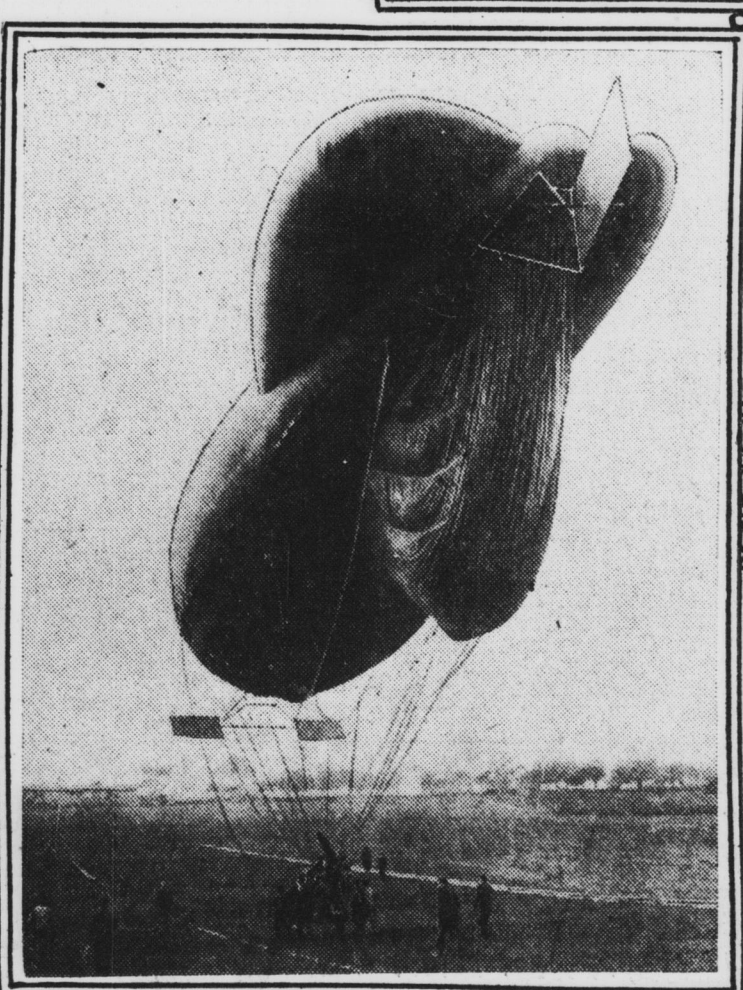
At right: Capt. Schuyler F. Cummings, skipper of the American Shipper, who has been commended by the Shipping Board for his vessel's work in rescuing passengers from the lost steamer Vestris. It was first to arrive at the scene.



A view of the quarter deck of the battleship Maryland, where President-elect Herbert Hoover and his party will do most of their exercising during the weeks in which they will make their home aboard the giant sea fighter on the South American trip. Mr. Hoover plans to board the Maryland next Monday at San Pedro, Calif.—Associated Press Photo.



Miss Helen Howison, Washington soprano, who will be heard on the vespers concert program at the Washington Auditorium next Sunday afternoon, with the Russian violinist, Yelkin, and Louis Potter, concert organist.—Copyright by Harris & Ewing.



Germany introduces the convertible balloon. This giant gas bag, built and recently tested at Augsburg, has stabilizing planes, and by attaching an outboard motor to the gondola is converted into a near-dirigible to be piloted in any direction.—Copyright by P. & A. Photos.



And a German springs still another novelty. This time it's a sailboat in which adjustable planes, constructed like those of an airplane, take the place of canvas sails. It is said to be more easily handled than the usual small sailing craft.—Underwood & Underwood.



The end of a "tail" that's still a mystery. Workmen restoring the tail of one of the bronze buffaloes on the Q Street Bridge, over Rock Creek, which some playful person saved off the other night. The tail was found, but not the perpetrator.—Star Staff Photo.

P-T. A. TO GUARD PUPILS' SAFETY

Conference Launches Move to Reduce Children's Accident Toll.

A move to guard children from accidents on school playgrounds and public streets started today as a result of a meeting yesterday in Franklin School of representatives of the Parent-Teacher Association and school officials. Many accidents occur regularly on school playgrounds and on streets frequented by children. It was pointed out, despite the fact that nearly all could be avoided by proper precautions. Plans call for a plea of safety consideration which will reach all related civic organizations, parents, children, teachers and newspapers. Stephen E. Kramer, first assistant superintendent of schools, met with the representatives of the parent-teacher group and gave assurance that school officials would co-operate in every way possible. The following program, to take effect immediately, was adopted after a thorough discussion of the problem: 1. A systematic effort to arouse public sentiment. 2. A method to secure better instruction in the homes in regard to safety measures. 3. The holding of a conference between the local parent-teacher association and the teachers of the school which it represents to consider the problem of that particular school and the making of helpful suggestions by the parents and teachers. 4. The securing of careful inspection of playgrounds at each school with regard to safety factors. 5. The enlisting of the co-operation of citizens' associations by asking each association to devote at least one meeting to the question of safety. 6. Requesting each local parent-teacher association to make a specific part of its yearly program to the subject of safety and to prepare safety suggestions to be taken home by the children. By asking the co-operation of the newspapers in the publication of attractive articles dealing with safety. Besides Mr. Kramer, the meeting was attended by Mrs. Joseph Sanders, Mrs. H. D. Aller and Frank C. Merritt, all representing the Parent-Teacher Association; Miss Bertie Backus, principal of the Powell Junior High School, and Miss Gertrude Young, administrative principal of the Peabody-Hilton-Carbery Schools.

Isaak Walton League Elects. Special Dispatch to The Star. LYNCHBURG, Va., November 14.—The Lynchburg Isaak Walton League has elected the following officers for 1929: President, M. B. Mount; vice presidents, H. Minor Davis and E. M. Wood; secretary-treasurer, G. R. Lewis, Jr.; and directors, E. A. Watson, John T. Morton, J. C. Burks, Fred W. McWane, Dr. James R. Gorman, Dr. James Morrison and Glimer Craddock.

COMBINED POWER RATE IS PLANNED

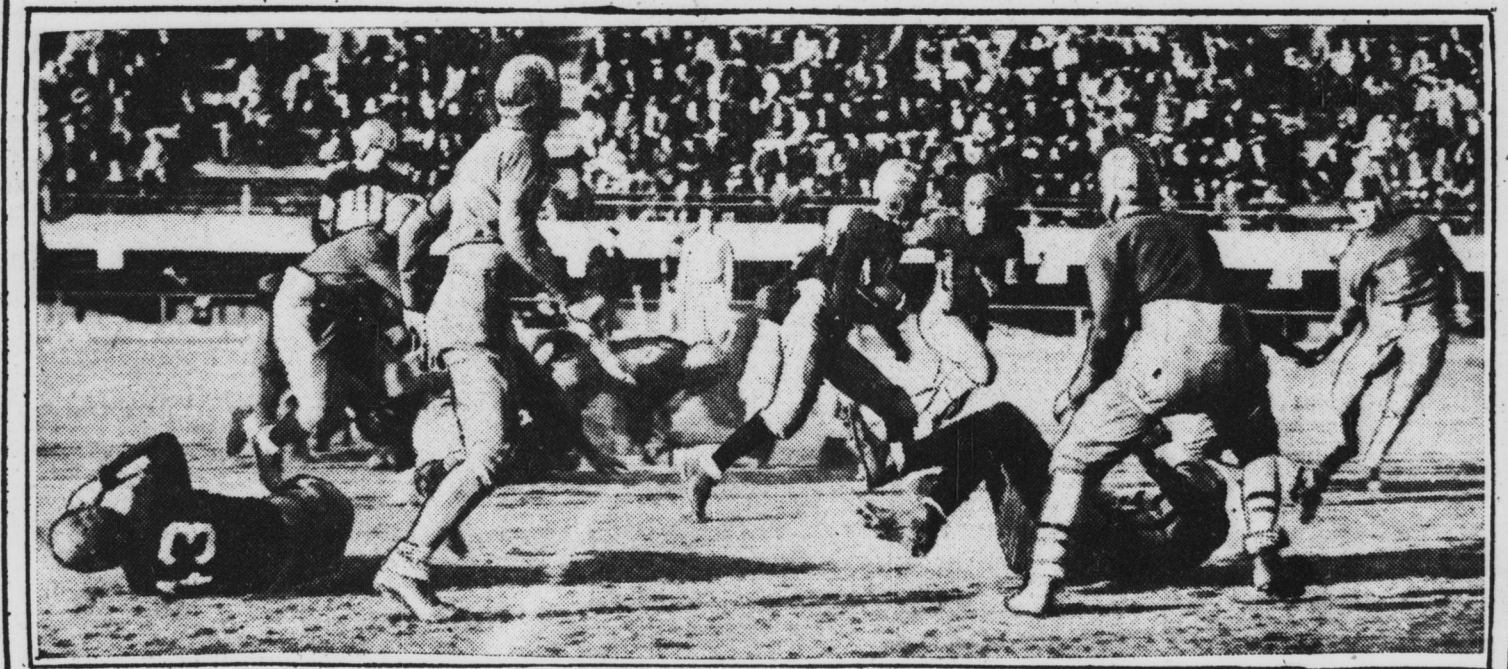
Company Seeking to Save Consumers Extra Charge for Separate Meter.

Aside from lowering the rate of electric current January 1, the Potomac Electric Power Co. it was learned today at the Public Utilities Commission, is planning to combine two existing domestic schedules which will eliminate separate meters and wiring for electric refrigerators and household appliances, and save consumers the fee now charged for such installations. The average cost of each installation is estimated at \$20. H. A. Brooks, commercial manager of the company, is working out a rate for the proposed combination, which will be submitted to the commission for approval when the new schedule is considered. J. D. Murray, utilities commission accountant, is conferring this afternoon with Brooks over the proposed consolidation of the two schedules. He also will discuss with him the probable rates for the coming year. It was figured several weeks ago on the basis of the power company's earnings in excess of 7½ per cent on its valuation that a reduction could be made in the domestic rates in 1929 from 5.9 cents to 5 cents a kilowatt hour.

JEWISH WOMEN PLAN TO AID RED CROSS

Auxiliary Discusses Activities in Twelfth Annual Roll Call Drive.

Activities of the Jewish Women's Auxiliary of the District Chapter of the American Red Cross in assisting in the twelfth annual roll call of the organization were outlined and discussed in a meeting held at the Jewish Community Center yesterday afternoon. The women of the District of Columbia Council of Jewish Women are in charge of the roll call activities at Lansburgh's, and Mrs. Joseph Solomon and Mrs. G. M. Sigmund of the Jewish Women's Auxiliary have been established in the Federal National Bank since the first day of the roll call, it was reported. Reports of the roll call headquarters at 1342 G Street show that thousands of members have already been enrolled this year, but that the membership is still far from the goal of 40,000 to be raised by Thanksgiving day. A steady demand for speakers from civic societies, schools and other groups is coming into the roll call headquarters daily, it was announced. Speakers who will explain the roll call will be sent before groups upon request.



When Western and Business High staged their gridiron battle at Central Stadium yesterday. Eddy Brownfield, Western halfback, is shown carrying the ball for an 8-yard gain in the second quarter. Western won, 6 to 0.—Star Staff Photo.

VIRGINIA BAPTISTS RE-ELECT ROSSER

Bristol Pastor Made President of Association at Alexandria Session.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., November 14.—Rev. J. Rossier of Bristol was re-elected president of the Virginia Baptist General Association yesterday at the 150th annual convention of that body opened at the First Baptist Church here. William Pilcher of Petersburg, Rev. W. P. Bagwell of Halifax, Rev. R. T. Hayes of Church View and Rev. W. P. Fisher of Lynchburg were elected vice presidents. P. T. Crump of Richmond was re-elected treasurer and Rev. Hugh C. Smith of Druryville secretary. The report of the treasurer showed receipts for the year, \$668,048.42, and expenditures, \$647,986.23, leaving \$20,062.19. Two sessions were held last night, one in the First Baptist Church and the other in the M. E. Church, South, to care for the large crowds. The programs were held simultaneously. Arthur Stovall of Charlottesville, spoke at both sessions on the "Baptist Student Work in Virginia"; Percy Foster of Washington, D. C., led both assemblies in the M. E. Church, and music was supplied by the M. E. Church choir. The First Church choir sang at the session in that church. Today's session opened with worship, led by Rev. John K. Goode of Richmond, while meetings of the general

Mother Sues Institution to Regain Custody of Two Girls Missing Nine Years

Telling the court of her fruitless search for nine years for her two children, Mrs. Lettie B. Baker today sued out a writ of habeas corpus in the District Supreme Court against Sister Mary Stanislaus, in charge of the House of Good Shepherd, Thirty-sixth street and Reservoir road, where she has lately learned that the children had been placed. Justice Hilt directed the sister in charge to bring the children in court at once, when he will pass on the question of their future custody. Through Attorney Philip W. Austin, the mother tells the court that while she was elsewhere employed, the daughters, Ruth Virginia Baker, now 20 years old, and Annie Elizabeth Baker, now 19, were taken from their home in Franklin, Va., March 19, 1919, by a man named Pleasant, said to be field secretary of the Children's Home Society in Virginia, and placed in the custody of social institution officials in Richmond. The whereabouts of the children was concealed from their parents and their father died in 1923, the mother says. The elder daughter, she declares, was placed in the House of the Good Shepherd April 17, 1924, and the other daughter April 22, 1926. On learning that her children were in this institution, the mother said, she tried to see them, but was refused permission. She declares she is able to provide a home for them and asked the court to return them to her.

committees, including the Sunday school, Baptist Young People's Union, co-operative program, missions, education, hospital, orphanage, relief fund and the Baptist Foundation, took up the major portion of the morning session. The report of the committee on nomination and the new board was made by Rev. T. Claggett Skinner of Lynchburg. Rev. E. B. Willingham of Lynchburg delivered the report of the committee on hospital, the Religious Herald was given by Rev. R. H. Pitt of Richmond and W. A. Harris of Richmond made the report on historical history. Rev. E. B. Jackson of Lexington addressed the convention on "The Psychology of Baptist Persecution." The "quite hour" was conducted by Rev. S. J. Porter, who spoke on "Six Pictures of Jesus." Proposed drainage of the Zuider Zee in Holland is expected to not only reclaim 500,000 acres it covers, but also prevent the continued salting of the fresh water channels.

UNKNOWN SOLDIER MEMORIAL STUDIED

Jury of Awards Considering Designs for Completion of Tomb in Arlington Cemetery.

Another step toward completion of the tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery was taken today when the jury of awards met in the office of the quartermaster general, Munitions Building, and studied the models of the five designs previously selected by the jury out of 73 designs submitted in the general competition. The jury consists of Charles A. Coolidge, Boston; Paul P. Crets, Philadelphia, and D. H. Burnham, Chicago, representing the American Institute of Architects; Mrs. William D. Rock, Philadelphia, representing the Gold Star Mothers, and Col. Hanford MacNider, Mason City, Iowa, representing the American Legion. This afternoon President Coolidge paid a visit to the Munitions Building and inspected the models, after the members of the jury called at the White House to meet the Chief Executive. Though the jury will reach its decision as to the most suitable design within a few days, it is possible that it may not be publicly announced for several weeks. Of the five designs from which the final selection will be made, one was submitted by Horace W. Peaslee, architect; Carl Mose, sculptor, and Charles Elliot, 2d, landscape architect, all of this city. A broken-glass patrol has been established by the New York Automobile Club as part of its safety and highway courtesy work.

FOUR CONVICTED ON GAMING CHARGE

Offenses Alleged Include Operating Gambling Table and Race Betting.

Four men were convicted today on each of eight counts of an indictment charging the setting up of a gaming table for receiving bets on horse racing and playing "black jack." The jurors received the case about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon and deliberated until midnight, when the two women and ten men were given sleeping accommodations at a nearby hotel. This morning they told Chief Justice McCoy they had agreed on some counts but were not in accord on others. The court advised them to reconsider their verdict and at 11:15 o'clock the jurors returned with a verdict of conviction. The penalty under the law is imprisonment in the penitentiary for "not more than five years." John A. Maloney, Albert J. Lowry, Ralph A. Holland and Frank A. Stevens, the accused men, who were taken into custody in a raid at 212 Ninth street June 6 last by the vice squad, spent the night in the District Jail while the jury deliberated. When the verdict was announced, Attorney E. Russell Kelly, for the accused, asked the court to set bail for the prisoners pending the hearing of a motion for a new trial. Chief Justice McCoy declined to fix bail and remanded the four men to jail to await action of the court on the motion. Assistant United States Attorney William H. Collins, who prosecuted the men, will oppose the motion for a new trial. The accused made no defense at the trial yesterday afternoon, deciding to stand on the plea of their counsel that the Government had failed to make out a case against them. Witnesses for the prosecution told of elaborate precautions to prevent admission of undesirable on the premises. The jurors heard of "peep holes" in the upper door electric contrivances to notify of the approach of any one at the entrance door.

MRS. WOLSTENHOLME IS CLAIMED BY DEATH

Prominent Woman Bowler Succumbs in Hospital at Age of 25 Years. Mrs. Pauline Burkhalter Wolstenholme, 25 years old, wife of Glenn Wolstenholme, one of the leading bowlers of Washington, died early this morning at Sibley Hospital. Mrs. Wolstenholme is well known in local bowling circles, having been prominent in women's duckpin activities for several years. She is survived by her husband, her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Burkhalter; four sisters, Mrs. A. D. Rust, Misses Anna, Emma and Elizabeth Burkhalter, and one brother, Ernest Burkhalter, all of Washington. Arrangements for the funeral will be announced later.

GAS EXPERT SETS NEW HIGH VALUE

Baltimore Man Estimates Company's Property Is Worth \$34,380,228.

The valuation which the Washington Gas Light Co. is seeking to have placed on its properties for rate-making purposes today took a huge leap at public hearings before the Public Utilities Commission, when Alton S. Miller of the Bartlett Hayward Co. of Baltimore testified that in his opinion the properties are worth \$34,380,228. This exceeds the previous high appraisal, that of William V. Burnell, by \$4,600,000, and is more than double the valuation of the company now on the books of the commission. Miller was the third expert to testify in behalf of the company as to its value whose estimates vary. The difference lies mainly in the "intangible" elements of value entered by the various experts. Engineer's Figures Examined. William V. Burnell, engineer of the firm of Stone & Webster, consulting engineers of Boston, completed his testimony for the gas company yesterday after cross-examination by People's Counsel Ralph B. Fiechery. Fiechery's questions were directed particularly at Burnell's items of going concern value, which he estimated at a figure \$605,000 higher than the company's engineer, R. O. Luquer, and depreciation which he identified as "cost to restore." Burnell's method of arriving at depreciation on gas mains was gone into thoroughly by Fiechery. The Boston engineer calculated the depreciation on these mains at \$147,900 by a hypothetical process. Holding that there is presumably no depreciation on a gas pipe which does not leak, Burnell estimated that an inspection of the company's 687 miles of mains and pipes would develop 7,000 leaky joints, which could be repaired at a cost of \$12.50 each, or a total of \$87,500. To discover these imaginary leaks, the engineer said, bars would be driven into the ground at intervals at a cost of \$80 a mile, or \$53,360. The cost of drilling and repairing, he estimated, would be \$140,860. To this figure he added 10 per cent, or \$7,040, for contingencies, making a grand total of \$147,900 to restore the gas mains to 100 per cent operating condition. This figure was added to his valuation. PRINCE VISITS U. S. Alfonso of Spain, Wife and Son in New York. NEW YORK, November 14 (AP).—The Infante Alfonso of Spain, 42-year-old first cousin of the King of Spain, arrived yesterday on the Majestic for his first trip to America. He was accompanied by the Infanta Beatriz, together with their son. The prince explained that, although he was here on a social visit, he also would study aeronautic development, both as applied to commercial flying and naval equipment.